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The Honorable Steven D. Symms United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Symms:

Thank you for your letter concerning the services provided by Empire Airways. This information has been forwarded to the appropriate individuals in the Agency who are responsible for considering such services.

Again, thank you for providing us with this information.

Sincerely,

/s/Charles A. Briggs

Charles A. Briggs Director, Office of Legislative Liaison

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 5, 1985

Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

I would like to call your attention to Empire Airways, an Idaho air transportation firm which conducts a wide variety of special air missions for the federal government and the U.S. military. Empire Airways operates a wide range of passenger and cargo equipment, and is capable of conducting conventional as well as highly specialized passenger and cargo air operations.

Empire is an experienced large aircraft contractor to the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and other agencies. The company also provided air logistics support to the U.S. Army for "Operation Island Breeze" during the Grenada operation using its versatile DeHavilland DHC-6 turboprop aircraft.

Specifically, Empire Airways is prepared to provide the following services, among others, on very short notice, and on a discreet and efficient basis:

-Aerial reconnaissance, including para-cargo, photographic and surveillance flights using specialized aircraft such as the DHC-6-300, Convair 580, or other equipment appropriate to the mission.

-Passenger carrying service on a scheduled or non-scheduled basis.

-Air cargo/airlift services involving operations on unimproved and/or short field landing facilities utilizing Short Takeoff and Landing (STOL) aircraft.

Empire Airways provided prompt, discreet and highly efficient service in support of the American victory in Grenada and stands ready to be called into service again as the need arises.

In summary, any type of conventional or unconventional air mission in any part of the world is within the capability of **Empire Airways**. In nearly a decade of contract services to the U.S. Government, **Empire Airways**' operating slogan has been: "Any aircraft, Any place, Anytime."

If you are interested in further information concerning Empire Airways, they may be contacted at:



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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

STEVE SYMMS

United States Senator

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